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and OH7MA for the following DX information.

4K2CC, CARDS. Valery, who is active from Franz Josef Land, suggests to
wait a month or so before QSLing to his UV3CC call in Moscow. The mail
problem is bad there and he will not be returning home to get his mail
for about a month.

5X5WR/A. This station still continues to be active on various nets on
14236 and 21313. It has also been reported that the 5X5WR/A QSL cards
from DJ5RT are being received. Turn-around time for cards is TWO WEEKS!
Many will be hoping this station will be good for DXCC.

8Q, MALDIVE ISLANDS. This will be the last week to work Daniel, 8Q7DV.
Check for him on the DX nets, frequencies 14236 and 14226 kHz. QSL via
DJ0EC.

AP, PAKISTAN. There has been plenty of activity this week for AP-land.
AP/WA2WYR has been active on RTTY, 28082 kHz around 1230z. AP2MYC has
been active on 28400 kHz around 1145z, AP2JZB on the 21335 DX net around
1530z and AP2AJ on 28490 kHz around 1335z. QSL AP2AJ to the callbook
address, AP/WA2WYR to KK6TX (92CB) and AP2JZB to K2EWB.

C1A, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND. It has been reported this station has been
active on 14187 kHz and 28475 khz around 0000z. The station is claiming
to be part of the Solomon Islands and has claimed independence or something
of that nature to justify their new callsign. Based on the ITU tables, the
C1 prefix is not listed. Some stations heard the C1A requesting SASE with
$5 for a QSL. BEWARE of this one and hold off until more info can be
obtained.

FO, CLIPPERTON ISLANDS. Charlie, N7QQ, states the Clipperton Dxpedition
(FO0CI) scheduled for March has lost an operator putting the expedition
in financial difficulty. They are in need of another operator. The dates
required are the 28th of February thru the 16th of March. Departing date
from San Diego is Friday the 28th of February. Their 88 foot boat will
accomindate 28 people. They presently have eight operators from Europe
and the U.S. The need of one or two additional operators at $4000 will
make this trip a reality. Anyone interested please call Jay Kobelin
WA2FIJ at 310-948-7444 (work) or at home after 7 P.M. PST 714-941-4764,
SOON AS POSSIBLE.

INTERNET SKED. A few weeks ago, OPDX reported (in OPDX.045) that schedules
could be made with Surgwon, HL3ANF, via Internet or packet radio. Well,

Joel, WU1F, reports this method works and Surgwon enjoys doing it this way. If you like to try this method, drop Surgwon a message via: Packet HL3ANF@HL3ADI.KOR.AS -or- on InterNet E-mail: ned@kaerigw.kaeri.re.kr

JD1, OGASAWARA. Be looking for five Japanese operators to activate /JD1 from February 14th to the 21st. They will actually be operating from Chichi Islands which is part of Ogasawara. There will be activity in the ARRL DX CW Contest.

NH7, KURE ISLAND. Bob, KD7P/NH7, is now active on the island and will be there until February 19th. Remember this one may become rare because of the LORAN station closing. Bob was reported on 6 meters (50120) and is very active on 12, 15, 20 and 80 meters CW. He has also been heard on 14195 kHz around 0530 to 0600z.

SV/A MOUNT ATHOS. Good News! Denny, GW3CDP, was heard saying the problem that resulted in Monk Apollo going off the air has been resolved, and that Mount Athos should be back on the air soon. This is good news for those who have yet to work Mount Athos.

TU, IVORY COAST. Taneli, OH7MA, informs OPDX that OH8SR will be active from here as TU4SR. This station will also be active on all bands in both the SSB and CW, ARRL DX Contest. The preferred CW frequencies are 3501, 7001, 14045, 21045 and 28045 kHz. When not active during the contest, they will use the normal DX frequencies. OH8SR will also try to activate some nearby countries. QSL vis OH8SR.

UH8 NEW QSL BUREAU. Leo, K8PYD, reports all QSLS for UM8-land should either go via the "ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau" or direct to the new UM8 QSL Bureau starting March 1st. The new UM8 Bureau's address is: ARLRK QSL Bureau, P.O. Box 1100, Bishkek, 720020, Kirghizstan. The "ARLRK" stands for: Amateur Radio League of the Republic of Kirghizstan.

VOA QSO PARTY. You may have noticed some station with "VOA" or"/VOA" in their callsigns this weekend. These are stations involved in the Voice of America Contest which started 0000z February 1st and will end February 29th at 2330z. The contest is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Voice of America. For details, watch January's issue of QST, page 111. Stations heard this weekend were V31VOA and V31KX/VOA.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. As this bulletin was being written, Bob (W5KNE/VK9XN) and Lanny (W5BOS/VK9XM) should be in Perth, Australia, preparing for their trip to Christmas Island. They should be on the island February 11th and will be active thru the 15th. Activity will be all bands, all modes and on the WARC bands. QSL via their home call or the W5 Bureau.

VU7, LACCADIVE ISLANDS. According to Philip, W2XP (brother of VU2LZ), the status of the VU7 DXpedition has changed. The Indian Prime Minister has announced a visit to the Laccadives in February. This resulted in the cancellation of their permission for that time period. Tommy, VU2LZ, is now thinking of just a family vacation/mini-dxpedition in April.

FROM THE DXCC DESK. It was announced in an ARRL Bulletin, Monday the 3rd

of February that all QSLs for ZA1DX, ZA1HA and ZA1QA are now acceptable for DXCC credit.

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